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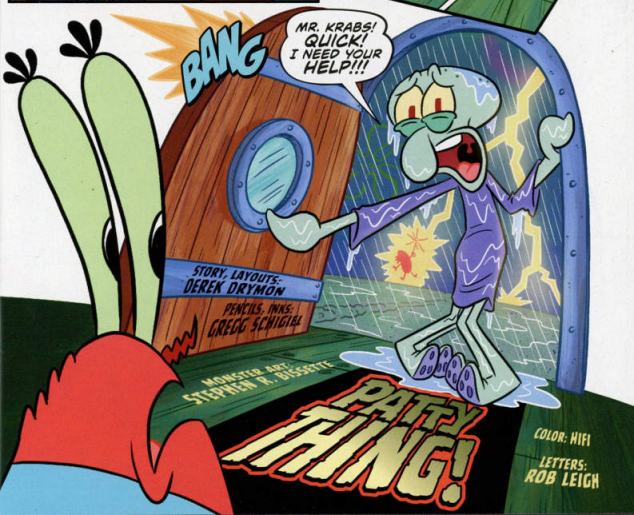
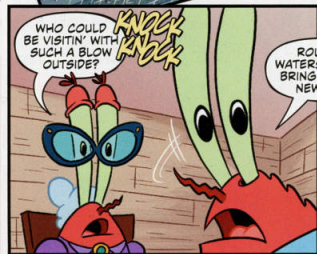


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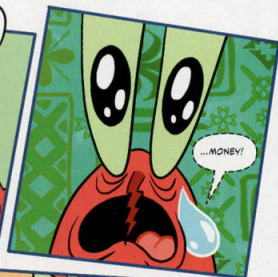
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ALL HANDS AHOY! If the frightenin' front cover by Kelley Jones (pencils and inks) and Rick Neilsen (color) is too much for your delicate constitution, then take safe harbor in the adorable back cover by Stephanie Yue!

SpongeBob SquarePants created by Stephen Hillenburg.







THIS IS THE
PERFECT PLACE TO
DUMP OLD KRABBY
PATTIES.

YOU THREW
AWAY ME
PATTIES!?!

I'LL
STRING YOU
UP FROM THE
TOPSAIL!!!

YOU'LL
KISS THE
CAT-O-NINE
TAILS!!!

EUGENE,
WAIT! LET
HIM
FINISH!

ME
LUCKY EYE HAS
BEEN TWITCHIN'
SINCE THIS SWAB
SHOWED!

I'LL HEAR
THE END OF HIS YARN
A'FORE YOU THROW
HIM OVERBOARD...

WELL,
WITH THE
PATTIES
HIDDEN AWAY,
I KNEW
I COULD GO
HOME...

...BUT THEN
I HEARD IT...

"...AN UNNATURAL
SOUND!"

"WAS IT
COMING
FROM
UNDER
THE...?"

THUMP THUD PT PT THUD THUMP PT PT PT THUMP



THUMP THUD PT PT THUD THUMP

I DIDN'T WANT TO BELIEVE THE NOISES HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE KRABBY PATTIES UNDER THE FLOOR...

"...SO I WENT HOME EVERY NIGHT AS IF NOTHING STRANGE WAS HAPPENING."

"BUT THEN, LAST NIGHT, I HAD A VISION!"

"SURE, I WAS SLEEPING, BUT IT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN A DREAM..."

"IT WAS TOO REAL, TOO HORRIBLE..."

SHPLORCH

"THE PATTIES UNDER THE FLOORBOARDS HAD CONGEALED..."

"...AND THEY WANTED OUT!"

THUD

THUMP

PTT

SMASH

"IT WAS NOW SOME KIND OF CREATURE...BORN IN SECRET, NURTURED ON LIES AND DECEIT..."

"...GIVEN FORM BY MY GREASY, ROTTING SHAME."

"UNNATURAL..."

"...UNCOMFORTABLE..."

"...IT SHAMBLED AWKWARDLY INTO THE NIGHT...LOOKING FOR ONE THING, AND ONE THING ONLY..."

"REVENGE ON THE ONE WHO CREATED IT..."

POW

"IT WAS COMING FOR ME..."

SPLURCH

SPLAT

AAAAHHHH!!!



"I LAUGHED TO MYSELF..."

HA!
WHAT A CRAZY DREAM!

"BUT IT WASN'T A DREAM."

THUD THUMP THUMP PT PT PT THUMP THUD

"IT WAS REAL..."

"...VERY REAL..."

"...AND IT WAS GETTING CLOSER!"

THUD PT PT THUMP

"SO I RAN...
HERE!"

"YOU'VE GOT TO
HELP ME!"

АААААААААА!!!

I NEVER HEARD
A BIGGER LOAD OF
BILGEWATER IN
ALL ME YEARS!

BUT IT'S TRUE,
MR. KRABS! I...I MEAN...
IT CAN'T BE TRUE...
MAYBE...OH, MAYBE I'M
JUST GOING CRAZY!

No!

YOU'RE NOT GOING
OFF YER CHUMP,
MR. SQUIDWARD!

YER JUST TRYIN'
TO PLAY ON ME SYMPATHIES
SO I DON'T MAKE YA
WALK THE PLANK FER
THROWING OUT PERFECTLY
GOOD **KRABBY PATTIES!**

I'VE READ OF THE BEAST
YOU DESCRIBE IN OLD BOOKS
ABOUT **LEGEND** AND **MYTH...**

IT'S A
CREATURE OF
VENGEANCE LIKE
NO OTHER!

IT'S
CALLED THE
STHULKA
STHUMPA!

ATURES LIKE OTHERS

CREATURES LIKE NO O

IN ANCIENT TIMES, THE **\$THULKA STHUMPA** WOULD BE CALLED FROM ITS OTHERWORLDLY DIMENSION BY WHAT IT HATED MOST-- **GREED AND WASTED PROFITS!**

EUGENE, YOUR STINGINESS, COMBINED WITH SQUIDWARD'S SLOTH, HAVE GIVEN THIS CREATURE LIFE IN THE FORM OF THE DISCARDED **KRABBY PATTIES!**

AND IT WON'T REST UNTIL IT HAS ITS REVENGE...

...ON BOTH OF YOU!

OH, MOTHER... IS THERE ANY WAY TO SAVE US?

I MIGHT BE ABLE TO BREAK THIS CURSE...

...FOR A SMALL FEE OF COURSE.

MY NAME IS **KRABS**, AFTER ALL!

THIS'LL BE COMIN' OUT OF YER PAYCHECK!

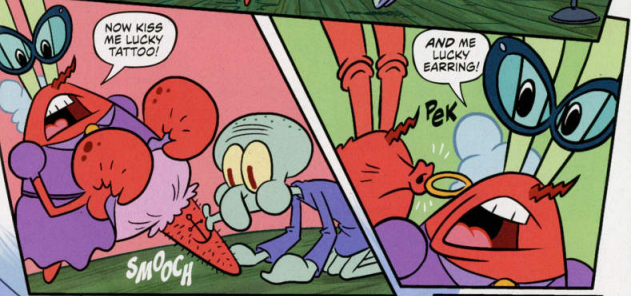
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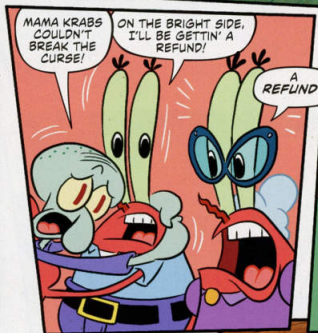
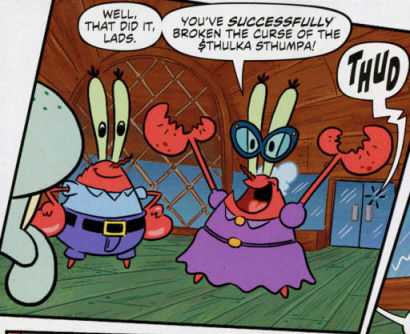
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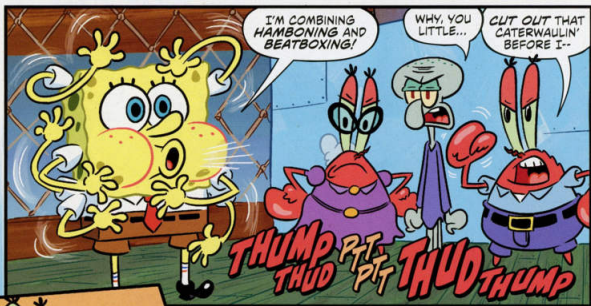
QUICK, FOLLOW ME OUT THE BACK DOOR!

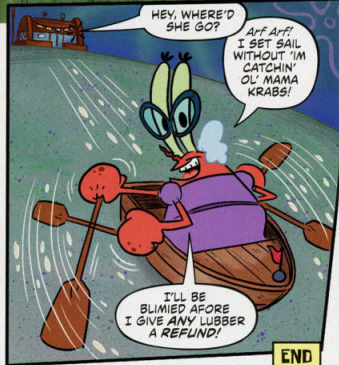
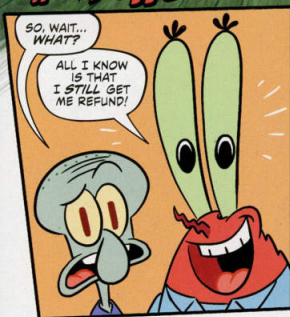
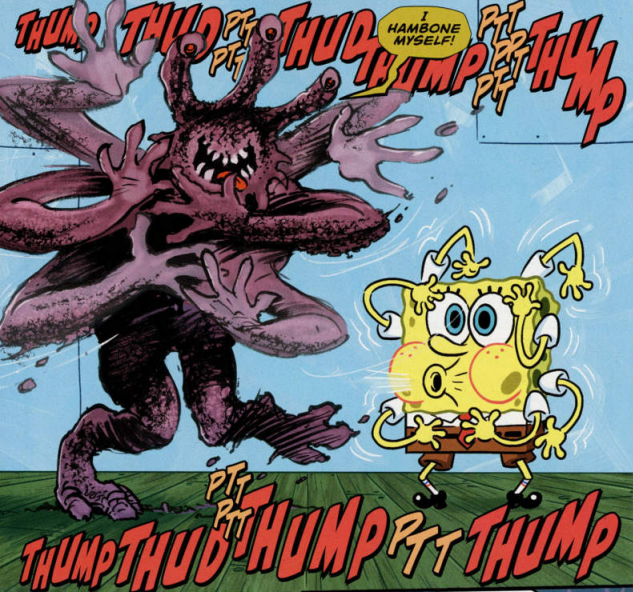
WE'VE GOT TO BREAK THE CURSE IN THE PLACE THE CREATURE WAS CREATED...

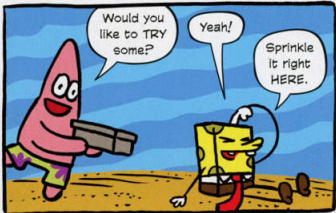
...THE **KRUSTY KRAB!**











BarG'N-MaRT

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST TONIGHT!

I'VE GOT JUST ENOUGH TIME TO GRAB MY SUPPLIES AND BREAK SPONGEBOB'S WINNING STREAK!

COSTUME CONTEST TONIGHT

WHEN SANDY SEES THIS YEAR'S WINNING COSTUME, SHE'S GONNA FLIP HER HELMET!

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MARK MARTIN

Lettering: ROB LEIGH

I KNOW THAT CONTEST IS JUST A GIMMICK TO SELL MORE GIANT PACKAGING, BUT I CAN'T HELP MYSELF!

THIS GIANT OATMEAL BOX WILL MAKE THE PERFECT SANDY SUIT!

THEY CALL THEM "FAMILY SIZE NOODLES," BUT I CALL THEM SANDY ARMS AND LEGS!

IT WILL TAKE ME YEARS TO EAT ALL THAT CEREAL, BUT THIS GIANT CEREAL BOX IS PERFECT FOR MY SPONGEBOB COSTUME!

...BUT I CALL THEM SPONGEBOB'S NOSE!



FIRST
PRIZE, HERE
I COME!

RIP

YIKES!

YOW!

BONK



DON'T
KNOW WHAT
THAT WAS--



--BUT
I KNOW
I'M OUTTA
HERE!



BEHOLD
THE WAGES OF
GLUTTONY,
SON!

WHEN
YOUR MOTHER
AND I WARN
YOU NOT TO EAT
TOO MUCH CANDY
OR YOU'LL BURST,
THIS IS *EXACTLY*
WHAT WE ARE
TALKING
ABOUT!

END

For as long as people have traveled the ocean, tales were told of dangerous **SEA MONSTERS**.

But most people have a hard time believing in their existence.

A
**TERRIBLE
STORM
DESTROYED
OUR SHIP!**

OH, COME ON,
I'M **RIGHT**
HERE.

For centuries, maps were filled with illustrations of sea monsters. Each monster had its own method of menacing seafarers.

CHECK IT OUT.
YOUR SHIP IS
MY HAT.

ZIPHIUS

PRISTER

I SWEAR THIS
ISLAND JUST SAID
SOMETHING.

YOU'RE
IMAGINING
IT.

ASPIDOCHELONE

IT'S MY
ALLERGIES.

Some people think sea monsters are incorrectly identified whales and dolphins. Here are some more things people have mistaken for sea monsters:

Floating
logs and
other
debris

RELAX,
EVERYONE.
I'M JUST
A LOG.

The Giant Oarfish
(grows up to 50 feet)

Walrus

DUDE,
GET SOME
GLASSES. I'M
A WALRUS.

OMG--
PEOPLE TELL
ME I LOOK LIKE A
SEA MONSTER **ALL**
THE TIME!

Fake sea
monsters

HEY,
LOOK AT
ME!

I'M A
SEA MONSTER,
NOT A SAD PERSON
WHO WANTS
ATTENTION!

So, do sea monsters exist? According to the National Ocean Service, we've only explored 5% of the ocean. Who knows what dwells in the other 95%?

WOW,
THE SEA SURE
IS **ROUGH**
TODAY!

SPONGEBOB IN:

MONSTER CANYON

WRITTEN BY
KAZ

DRAWINGS BY
TONY MILLIONAIRE

COLOR BY
JIM CAMPBELL



ONE
AFTERNOON...

YES, SIR.
WE'LL GET
THAT ORDER
TO YOU
RIGHT AWAY.

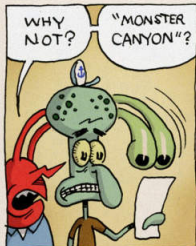
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KRUSTY
KROB

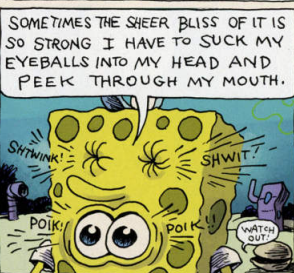


WHAT'S WRONG, MISTER
SQUIDWARD? YOU LOOK
LIKE YOU'VE SEEN A
GHOST FISH.

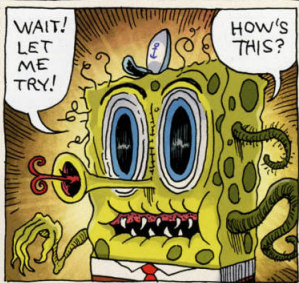
WE
CANNOT
DELIVER
THIS
ORDER!!











QUICK! GET IN!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



THIS IS A TIMESHARE I WAS LUCKY ENOUGH TO BUY.

I GET IT FOR ONE DAY A YEAR.



YUP. IT'S GOT RATFISH, SPIDERS, BROKEN PLASTER...



SWAMP MIST, SPOOKY ORGAN MUSIC, IMPORTED MOLD...

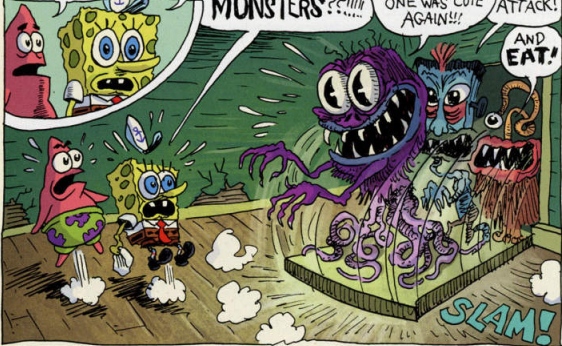
AND... OH, YEAH! MONSTERS!

YOU MEAN THOSE KIDS OUTSIDE WERE REAL MONSTERS??!!

SEE? I TOLD YOU THE YELLOW ONE WAS CUTE AGAIN!!

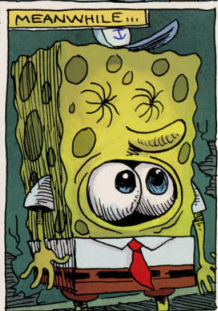
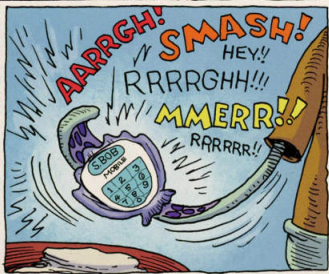
WE CAN NOW ATTACK!

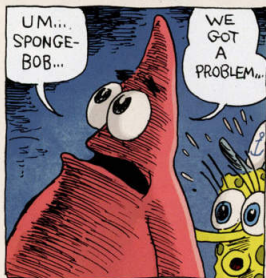
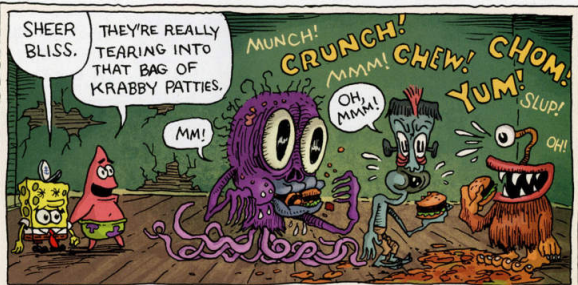
AND EAT!



AAAAAAAAHHH!!







OKAY, MISTER SQUIDWARD. IT'S ALMOST CLOSING TIME. LET'S GO SAVE SPONGEBOB!

IF HE'S STILL ALIVE.

THREE THOUSAND KRABBY PATTIES, PLEASE!

CRASH!

WHAT'S THEIR PROBLEM?

YOU'RE STILL WEARING YOUR MONSTER FACE!

IT WAS THE ONLY WAY I COULD GET THEM TO THE KRUSTY KRAB. I HAD TO SCARE-CHASE 'EM HERE!

...AND THEY PAID IN MONSTER MONEY...

CHOMP! CHOMP!

WET FLOOR

BEWARE

SQUIDWARD! DID THAT SIGN BACK THERE SAY "MONSTER CANYON"?

I DON'T KNOW! I'VE HAD MY EYES CLOSED EVER SINCE WE FLED THE RESTAURANT!

END

WHAT'S WRONG, PATRICK?
IS THERE SOMETHING ON MY FACE?



